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TAGS: PFOR, BU, UR

SUBJECT: BREZHNEV TO VISIT BULGARIA

1. ACCORDING TO ANNOUNCEMENT SEPT 17 CP USSR SEC GEN  
BREZHNEV WILL PAY "FRIENDLY VISIT" TO BULGARIA UNSPECIFIED  
TIME THIS MONTH.

2. COMMENT: ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISIT PARTLY EXPLAINS  
MASSIVE ADULATION BEING HEAPED ON BREZHNEV IN CONNECTION  
HIS AWARD AS "HERO OF SOCIALIST BULGARIA". KEY QUESTION,  
HOWEVER, REMAINS UNANSWERED WHY GOB FELT IT NECESSARY TO  
UNDERTAKE MEDIA CAMPAIGN IN ADVANCE OF VISIT, FIRST BY  
BREZHNEV SINCE SEPT 1971. ALTHOUGH ANNOUNCEMENT  
SPECIFIES NO DATES, WE ASSUME THAT 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF  
1923 UPRISING ON SEPT 23 WILL PROVIDE FOCAL POINT FOR TRIP.  
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## Message Attributes

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